

**MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION**

70 Maple Street  
Manistee, MI 49660

**WORKSESSION NOTES**

**May 21, 1998**

A Joint Worksession of the Manistee City Planning Commission and Filer Charter Township Planning Commission was held on Thursday, May 21, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the County Board Room, County Courthouse, 415 Third Street, Manistee, Michigan.

**MANISTEE CITY PLANNING  
COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ray Fortier, Cyndy Fuller, Kristie Harless, Bob Hornkohl,  
John Lakos, John Serocki, Tony Slawinski

**MANISTEE CITY PLANNING  
COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mike Fatke, Roger Yoder

**FILER CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Cliff Adamski, Joe Adamski, Don Alfred, Beryl Ambergey,  
Shirely Ball, Ken Sielski, Jennifer Williams

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Teresa Hughes (Filer Charter Township Zoning  
Administrator), Kurt Schindler (County Planner), Jon Rose  
(Community Development Officer), and Denise Mikula (City  
of Manistee)

County Planner Kurt Schindler presided over the worksession. Worksession began at 7:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

No questions by public in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Black topping Adamczak Road**

Discussion on who is responsible for Adamczak Road. Filer Township has received complaints about the amount of dust and asked if there were any plans for blacktopping Adamczak Road. Kurt Schindler said that Adamczak Road is a dedicated County Road that ends at the City's Compost Site. Filer will discuss this item with the Road Commission.

### City Compost Yard

Background information on when the compost area was established and how it was previously used as a dump. The City has an agreement with Filer Township with DNR approval for a Class 3 dumpsite. The compost area is limited to yard waste only. Concern was expressed about the site being near the City and Filer Township watertables. Questions about possible test wells to check for contamination.

Jon Rose said the City is getting proposals for environmental studies on the site.

Kurt Schindler said that the State does not consider a compost site that is limited to yard waste only as being a concern to the environment. If the site included items other than yard waste it would be regulated under the solid Waste Management Act.

Discussion on the possibility of screening the area so the compost site would not be seen from Red Apple Road.

### City and Township long range plan for a joint sewer system, extended into the Filer Commercial District

Discussion on the current fees for outside residents to hook into the City of Manistee Water and Sewer system. Background was provided on previous meetings that were held between Filer Township and the City of Manistee on Filer hooking into the City's Sewer System. Consensus was that both the Planning Commissions would urge reopening the dialog on this.

### Expansion of the Filer Charter Township Water System

Ken Sielski gave background information on the current water system in Filer Township. Investigation has been done in raising the existing tank in Filer Township. Filer is looking into possibly putting in a new well near the City's Compost area.

### Twelfth Street

Previous meetings were held by Filer Township and the City of Manistee in the possible extension of Twelfth Street from Maple to Cherry. At these previous meetings there was only one negative response to the possible expansion of the road. This road would be half in the City and half in the Township. Discussions on costs and possible extension of water and sewer to the area. Some of the area is platted in both the City and the Township and the only way to access it would be by extending Twelfth Street. Will continue discussion at a later date.

### Bike path/routes between the City and Filer Township

The City has incorporated a bike path on both sides of Cherry Street with the current sewer separation project going on in that area. The City has a committee that held meetings in the past on a desirable route for bikes that would keep bikes off U.S. 31 and high traffic areas as they travel through the City. The City would like to have further discussion with Filer Township to incorporate a route that would continue from

the City through Filer Township. Future development and road improvements could incorporate the plan and allow a designated bike route through both communities.

City Storm and Sanitary Sewer Separation work for this summer

Jon Rose reviewed the current construction projects the City has scheduled for this year. The Cherry Street and Oak Street projects are underway. The Eight & Fairview and First Street projects will begin shortly. Work on the Monroe Street Intersection scheduled this summer and MDOT will be milling U.S. 31 from Third Street to the north City Limits. A busy year for construction.

Other Business:

Mr. Amberg asked if there were any plans to develop Maywood Avenue to 21<sup>st</sup> Street. This undeveloped street is in both the City and Filer Township. Thoughts were to allow people to travel to and from the businesses in the area without having to use U.S. 31. The City has granted a Special Use Permit to Ace Hardware for a Lumber Yard on the property located behind their Building.

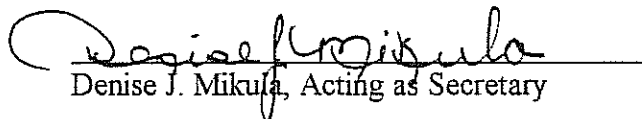
Question on when Cherry Street would get paved from Twelfth Street to Merkey Road. The City will look into this matter.

Filer Township Planning Commission and the City of Manistee Planning Commission has agreed to share minutes and agendas of their meetings with each other. Another joint worksession has been scheduled for September 17, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Board Meeting Room, 415 Third Street, Courthouse, Manistee, Michigan.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further discussion the worksession closed at 9:10 p.m.

MANISTEE PLANNING COMMISSION

  
Denise J. Mikula, Acting as Secretary

